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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 12, 2003, in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, amend the paragraph beginning on line 1 to read as follows:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

German Patent application DE-A-100 08746 describes a continuous system in which the nonwoven staple fiber material produced on a carding machine runs through a calender and then to an endless conveyor for further processing on which the carded nonwoven material is provided with a pulp coating and subsequently undergoes hydrodynamic